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July 8, 2003

Mr. Gary L. Poulsen  
CWS Marketing Group  
8740 N.W. 17<sup>th</sup> Place  
Plantation, FL 33322

Re: Regulatory Requirements, Vega Properties, Gadsden and Jackson Counties

Dear Mr. Poulsen:

This letter follows the visit you and Mr. Wheelus made to District headquarters on July 8, 2003. You inquired about permits issued for activities on the Vega property in Jackson and Gadsden counties. We gave you a copy of two surface water management permits for farm ponds and one expired consumptive use permit for the withdrawal of water for irrigation of crops or cattle watering. All of these permits were for the Gadsden County farm.

The surface water permits will have to be transferred to the new owner(s) of the two properties after their purchase is complete. Also, any water use at either site meeting the thresholds specified in Chapter 40A-2, Consumptive Uses of Water, will require that a permit be obtained from the District. Because the water resources are more limited in Gadsden County (Area A), the water use is more restricted than in Jackson County (Area C) where supplies are more abundant. Information on the thresholds for permitting are found on pages 6 and 7 of Chapter 40A-2 that you were given.

As we agreed, it would be prudent to advise anyone bidding on these properties that the buyer should contact the District regarding the transfer the two surface water permits on the Gadsden County property and discuss the possible need to obtain new water use permits depending on the projected water needs in Jackson and Gadsden counties. I will be the contact party for initial inquires in this matter and my telephone number is 850-539-5999, ext. 46.

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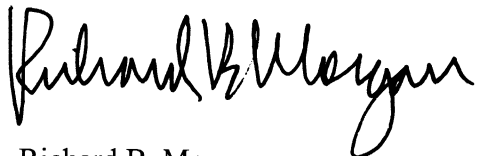
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If you have any questions regarding the contents of this letter, please give me a call.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard B. Morgan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Richard" being more prominent and the last name "Morgan" following in a similar style.

Richard B. Morgan  
Senior Regulatory Administrator  
Cc: Tom Brown  
Mark Wheelus